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From Grant Landon.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 25, 1910.
SENTINEL—Dear Sirs:—

According to my talk with you last Sunday evening, I am sending you some post cards; also enclosing a photograph of Robinson Street, looking north, which shows three of the buildings in course of construction and one of them completed. You will note the Colcord building on left, is a reinforced concrete structure to be 12 stories high when completed. The Baum building, first one on the right, is a five story reinforced concrete building; further up the street, on the right, is the American National Bank building, eight stories, reinforced concrete; while on the left you will notice the steel frame of the State National Bank building, 12 stories, and away up on top of the hill on the left can be seen work progressing on the new \$300,000 High school building. You will note on the picture of the Baum building, I have marked the three windows in the Baltimore building which show the location of our offices.

Also note the card showing Broadway looking north from Grand Ave. On the right, first is the 10 story Campbell building; next shows the seven story annex to the Lee-Huckins hotel, and then next is the 10 story Lee-Huckins hotel itself; while further up the street on the right is the eight story Insurance building; the last building on the left looking up the street is the seven story Pioneer Telephone building. You will also notice that I have marked a five story reinforced concrete building, occupied by a hardware store.

I want to call your attention to our High school building, which is not yet completed, but is in course of construction. There are said to be but two finer High school buildings. This one is 280 feet by 160 feet, occupying nearly an entire half block.

Also am sending you a view of Delmar Garden, which is something on the order of Heims' Electric Park in Kansas City, only on a smaller order. Also am sending you a view of Wheeler Park, showing one of the bears up a tree. Now we don't want you to think that bears are running loose on the streets of Oklahoma City. This fellow is simply a prisoner, and there are no wild animals or buffaloes running up and down the streets here.

We ask you to look over these rather carefully, but better hurry about it for in a few days these will be back numbers, as Oklahoma City is growing so rapidly.

C. G. LANDON.
Mr. Landon is contracting agent for the Kansas City Bridge Company, with headquarters at Oklahoma City, where he lives.

—Joseph Hansher, of Bigelow, came near losing his residence by fire on the 21st, ult.; the fire originated from a bad flue, and it was not gotten under control until some \$100 damage had been done; he had insurance to make good the loss.

War Time Hog Prices.

If live stock production is not receiving at this time the stimulus that will result in a great expansion of the industry in this country within the next few years, the American public must soon of necessity revise its dietary to contain a far smaller portion of meat food than has been the custom during the last decade.

There is a general belief that the almost unparalleled prices for all classes of meat food animals that have been realized by feeders during the last three or four months, will again turn the attention of a greater portion of the agricultural populace of this country to the production of cattle, sheep and hogs, and the enrichment of their lands from this most commendable branch of agricultural pursuit.

During the last week, a very large proportion of the choice hogs reaching the Chicago market have sold as high and close to \$9.50 and the best reached \$9.70, while the best fat lambs sold at \$9.35. These are the highest prices paid for hogs in more than forty years, and in regular market trade these prices for lambs have never been exceeded. On Friday last, hogs touched \$9.50 on the St. Joseph market.

There is a feeling in the trade that recent prices of cattle have been below their legitimate level, as compared with the very high market for hogs, and though the Lenten season is on, with its customary reduction in the consumption of meats, a relatively strong and reliable market for good beef stock is anticipated throughout the balance of the winter and early spring. A top price for cattle the past week on the Chicago market was \$8.10, which was paid for a load of choice 1548 pound steers on Thursday of last week. This was an advance of 20c over the week before and \$1.20 above the highest price paid a year ago.

At St. Joseph on Monday of this week, top for hogs reached \$9.75, \$9.92 at Chicago; \$9.55 at Omaha; \$9.85 at St. Louis and \$9.65 at Kansas City.

—Miley Wampler and wife, of Enid, Okla., have been here for a few weeks on a visit with her sister, Mrs. R. B. Bridgeman, and with the family of Joshua Adolph. Mr. Adolph having recently purchased 160 acres near Enid, will go with them in a few weeks for his new home, and, of course, his brother Jacob will go with him. It is a loss to have such people leave a county, but wherever they go, we only wish them peace and plenty.

—We are glad to learn that O. R. King, for so many years identified with the publishing of the Mound City News, has returned to the business, having accepted the foremanship of the News. Since the sale of the News to Mr. Barrows in Sept. 1906, O. R. has been farming a bit, but finally concludes to return to his first love. Glad to know that you've "come back," O. R.

THEY THINK OF OREGON

Interesting Extracts From Letters Recently Received by The Sentinel From Former Oregon and Holt Co. Citizens

Roland Burnett, Douglas, Okla., writes as follows:—"We are all well and prospering. We have a fine three-year-old boy, George W., Jr. My father and mother also live down in this country now, and are in good health. If you are ever down in this country, drop in, the latch string is always on the outside for Missourians."

Nelson Spencer, Spencer, Wyo., says:—"We have a fine place here and have gotten hold of a fine body of land, and we are all close together. This country has been a stock country exclusively, and when I came here there was hardly a furrow broke. Up to three years ago people did not raise enough potatoes and vegetables for their own use. Since that time they have gone to farming and raise a fair crop. The 'Range Men' do not like it, but of course the government gives a man 320 acres in certain sections of the state, since last spring, and the settlers are coming in thick and fast. The sheep business has been Wyoming's main industry for a number of years. There are men who run as high as 60,000 sheep—several men here have bands of 20,000 to 30,000, and a good many from 3,000 to 9,000 head. We have had a very severe winter in many sections, but close around here the winter has not been bad. There will be quite a little loss on account of short range. We will have to farm more and raise more feed for winter. The man that raises feed for his stuff and feeds at the right time, makes the money. We are paying 14 cents per pound for corn. They raised corn here last year that made 40 bushels per acre. Last year was the first time a threshing machine was in this country. This is practically a new place, but they are flocking in—300 filings made in Edgemont, S. D., last summer—have not heard how many this winter. People seem to want land, and it is getting high—you can hardly get 160 acres for less than \$1600 to \$3000."

Charles Waegle, Philadelphia, Pa.:—"I am here winding up the affairs of The Howard-Boyer Wool Co."

S. M. Stout, Basin, Wyo.:—"All are well and still in the land of the living. Mr. and Mrs. Will Twyman are with us and like sunny Wyoming—he has rented a ranch and is moving out about 10 miles from Basin. George Biggs is doing fine. Best regards to all my Oregon friends, and especially to Harvey Evans and J. J. Lukens."

Will J. Schatz, Evanston, Ill.:—"I enjoy reading The Sentinel very much, as it is about the only message I get from the 'old home,' and while many of my old-time friends are sleeping quietly 'over the hill,' I love to hear of those who are still actively engaged in the varied pursuits of life in and around Oregon. I regretted very much my inability to be with you all on 'Home-Coming Day,' and intended to write you a letter, but did not get time to do so. Never-the-less, I was with you all in thought, if not in person, and in memory I took a buggy ride with Will Maupin over to Bolckow to see a girl with golden hair hanging down her back. And I even remembered 'playin' hookey and goin' fishin'' with the junior editor of The Sentinel when I was a mere slip of a boy. I suppose Tom has long since forgotten this little incident. May God bless you all with good lives, health and happiness. How I would like to have a ride on your new railroad." Will is engaged in the retail grocery business and prospering.

Harry Davis, Colorado Springs, Colo.:—"Wish I was physically able to make the old home town a visit."

Rev. T. J. Eneyart, Savannah, Mo.:—"We are getting along nicely in our work here. All our family are well. Kind regards to our friends."

I. E. Gilbert, Buffalo, Wyo.:—"We are feeling fine now and very well contented. I expect to be back that way soon on a buying trip at the wholesale houses and will stop off for a few minutes to see you. Dan Kurtz and family are prospering."

J. C. Curtis, D. D. S., Stanberry, Mo.:—"The Mrs. and I are enjoying good health. Bought in with a dentist here and we are doing a good business."

William Warner, Lafayette, Ind.:—"I have been sick for some time—am badly crippled in my left foot, can hardly get around. Regards to all of my old comrades and friends."

James M. Wickersham, Hastings, Iowa:—"We have not sold our corn yet, and don't want to until the price is better. We will have about 1500 bushels to sell. I have about finished my assessment work. I have been on

the road most of the time for the last four weeks, have only about two days' work and will be through listing; and it won't take long to make up the books this year. Last year I assessed the land—that means considerable book work. Have enrolled 25 babies and only three deaths for 1909, in Deer Creek township, 6 miles square, and no towns in it. Can you beat it? We have had good health this winter so far—haven't missed a meal only a few times and that was when I was on the road and then I was a little too slow, or else too fast. I must hang up and ring off: best regards to all."

C. C. Watson, Kansas City, Mo., Railway Mail Service:—"I have been going some the past year. Our Des Moines-K. C. run was cut off at Moberly about a year ago and I was assigned to the Decatur, Ill. & K. C. line, and the latter was changed in June and I was assigned to the Wabash between St. Louis and Kansas City, and it is about the busiest proposition I ever tackled. We have five men to the crew out of St. Louis, and nine out of Kansas City, and we are snowed under most of the time on heavy days. Wish you could have seen me Christmas Eve. I was on duty out of Kansas City that night, and I never want another one like it. Our car was jammed full to the roof, and it was almost impossible to make any separations, and everybody went into St. Louis 'stuck.' I meet former Oregon people where-ever I go—saw Harry Bridge in St. Louis, not long since, also one of the Young boys, and as for Kansas City, there is almost enough of us here to carry an election. Remember me to all inquiring friends."

J. H. (Henry) Nies, Dallas, Ore.:—"Mollie and I are doing well, and our children and grand-children were all well when last heard from. All doing reasonably well. Regards to all old friends."

E. E. Price, Isthmian Canal Commission, Department of Civil Administration, Division of Posts, Customs and Revenues, Ancon, Canal Zone:—"We are doing nicely and have splendid health. Hope to get back to Holt county sometime during the coming summer. I note the 'Inter Urban' has not yet fulfilled the ideal of the 'Jeffersonian.' Why don't you Oregon people send a special call for the editor of the 'Jeffersonian' to take the presidency of the road? It might ease his mind a bit. But if it did it might disturb his conscience (?). I am pleased to hear of the successful operation of the Oregon railroad and hope, within the next six months, to have the opportunity of 'inspecting' it personally. Here's success to The Sentinel, including the whole force."

John G. Martin, Cottonwood, Cal.:—"This leaves me tolerably well. Remember me to all my old friends. Kind regards to Dan and Cave's folks."

Mrs. J. A. Reese, Abilene, Kas.:—"We have bought us a home here; we like it fine and are doing well. The schools here are fine, there being three large buildings besides a High school. The water here is the best in the state, being 99 per cent pure. Best regards to yourselves and also to Cousin (?) Whit." Mrs. Reese is Ada, the daughter of Andy Burrier and wife.

Indictment of the Meat Trust.

Indictments charging conspiracy to raise prices on foodstuffs contrary to the public good against all the officials and directors of the National Packing Company—the so-called beef trust—were returned on Friday last, Jersey City, N. J.

It is charged that the indicted maintain the vast system of cold storage plants across the Hudson River, from which New York draws the bulk of its supplies of meat and other perishables and food supplies. The packers regard the affair a huge joke, and we are of the opinion that it will turn out just as former prosecutions—a fine which people will ultimately pay. In Missouri they were fined \$5,000, and which the statute excluding them from the state was brushed aside by the supreme court as a handful of chaff. In the Federal court, they were given an immunity bath—and why under such record, should they not regard the proceedings as a huge joke.

—M. D. Walker, on Monday of this week, closed a deal with Rev. J. H. Kiplinger, of Valley Falls, Kas., for the purchase of his 50 acre farm, known as the Kunkel place just east of the Kunkel mill site, for \$4300. Mr. Walker will arrange for its occupancy at once by his son-in-law, Jas. Riley, and wife, who are now residing at Maitland. By this purchase Mr. Walker has provided a nice farm for each of his four children and all within a short distance of Pa and Ma.

WHISKEY CAUSED THE DEATH

One Man Dead and Another Badly Beaten in a Drunken Brawl Near Amazonia.

Michael Griffin, a laborer at the Burlington quarry near Nodaway died Monday morning, February 28th, 1910, at the Sisters hospital in St. Joseph, of injuries received in a drunken brawl at the Wm. Guy tent, just inside of Holt county, near Nodaway Station, Sunday morning, February 27th.

The story of the shocking affair comes to us from a reliable source, that Sunday forenoon, some time, Mike Griffin, Samuel Guy and John Barlow, all quarrymen, went to the William Guy tent, a short distance from the quarry, to get some whiskey. What took place at the Guy tent is told differently by the two sides to the affair—but is agreed they all imbibed freely of what they went after.

Barlow lives at Amazonia, and claims kinsip to the Guys, and Wells and Griffin are the only two persons present not of kin to the Guys, and one being dead, we only have the statement of one as to what occurred at the tent.

Wells claims that Wm. Guy and Griffin had a slight altercation, and that nothing had been said to Samuel Guy, the father of William, by either of them concerning the difficulty, of which the two men had been disputing; that Samuel Guy stood immediately back of Griffin, and seeing a large stick or club of wood about four feet long and two inches thick, picked it up, and with both hands used the club, striking Griffin in the back of the head.

We understand that Samuel Guy, the accused man, tells a different story, and says he never struck Griffin, that the blow was struck by Barlow; that his son ordered the party to leave the tent and that Griffin did not go readily, that Barlow said "Let's get out of here;" that Griffin replied "What the hell is it to you," and drew a knife on Barlow, and Barlow then struck him with a club, claiming to have done so in self defense.

The quarreymen, several in number, on hearing that one of their number had been nearly killed, went up to the Guy tent, and demanded of William Guy that he name the man who struck the blow, and on refusal, they proceeded to beat up William in a frightful manner, and he is in his bed in his tent, for repairs.

Harry Wells is now in jail, and warrants out for Pat Murphy and another party, all charged with assaulting William Guy.

Sam Guy has been arrested and is charged with murder.

Dr. J. L. Hogan, of Forbes, was called to see Griffin, who never regained consciousness, and he took the wounded man to St. Joseph, where Dr. B. B. Simmons and Dr. W. S. Fast, assisted in an operation on his skull. A clot of blood had formed on the brain, directly under the forehead, and the membrane had been ruptured. The deceased was about 35 years of age.

Both our prosecuting attorney and Sheriff McNulty and his deputy Gelvin, have been active in looking after the matter, and will do all in their power to see that the law is enforced in the matter.

On the Move.

The coming week or two will witness many changes in location of our citizens. Thomas Hines will go to the Walker farm north of Mound City. The Lunsford brothers will go to the E. Bunker farm in Minton township. Henry Peret to the Link Bucher farm south of Oregon, having but recently purchased it. E. E. Bunker, of Minton, goes to a farm northeast of Maitland. A. O. Markt to the Jno. W. Smith farm in the Divide district. O. A. Wicker will farm the Hatfield land in the Benton district—and there are others.

Elder Dawson has occupied the Sam O'Fallon place at the head of Nodaway street. Mrs. Louisa Schulte vacating and going to the place east known as the former W. A. Gardner farm.

T. J. Lemon, our merchant, occupies the Levi Schulte place, Al Brooks vacating and going to the Carson place, in the northwest corner of town.

Frank Keiffer and family will occupy the Patterson place, vacated by Mr. Peret.

James Acton has gone to the Tom Foster farm, and the place—the old Kunkel place—will be occupied by Jas. Riley, of Maitland; this place was purchased this week by M. D. Walker from Rev. Kiplinger.

William Boyd has rented the Spur-

rier place.

Charley Herman will conduct the Frank Keiffer farm.

Lin Whitam will occupy the Joe Murray place, recently bought from Charles Meyer.

A. L. Decker has rented the Ida Cross residence.

Sid Moore is moving to the Gotlieb Sheib farm, and Mr. Sheib comes to town, and will occupy the Sig Noland residence, which he recently purchased.

John Stone has purchased the Luella Oren property on Hickory street, and Claud Ellis will move to a place near the depot.

Mrs. Martha Crowell has negotiated for the Harry Pollock residence—known as the Wickham place.

Will Carroll has about closed a deal for the Joe Murray place just east of town lately occupied by Mr. Handy.

Dick Hahn will move to the old Stout place, just east of town.

N. L. Pierce has moved to the Frank Shackelford place in the west part of town. Mr. Pierce has sold his blacksmith property to T. E. Wilson.

Arthur Cotten negotiated the sale of the Mrs. J. O. Mauck two vacant lots in the west part of town this week, to Daniel Zachman, for \$1,025. Mr. Z. expects to build at once.

Mrs. Jacob Gross has moved to her property occupied by John Stone.

Andy Tochtermann moves to the property vacated by Mrs. Gross, he having recently purchased it; he will build a handsome residence on the west lot.

Mrs. Edward Markt will occupy the Tochtermann place, having purchased it a few months ago.

D. J. French and family will move down near the canning factory, and Jim Martin and family will come to town.

New Bank for Forest City.

All the arrangements, looking to the establishing of a second bank at Forest City, have been completed, the necessary \$20,000 capital stock has been subscribed and the article of incorporation has been prepared and filed with the Secretary of State, by their attorney, R. B. Bridgeman, and as soon as the necessary building is prepared, will open for business.

Friday of last week, Messrs. Wm. N. Sawyer, John France, Sr., W. J. Lunsford, Philip Schlottzauer and R. B. Bridgeman came up and inspected the finishing and equipment of the new Citizens' bank, from which they no doubt obtained some modern up-to-date ideas as to the equipment of their proposed bank.

The stock is in \$100 shares, and Wm. N. Sawyer, of Westboro, Mo., is the principal holder of stock. He has been in the mercantile business in Westboro for a number of years, and has proved a highly successful business man, and no doubt he will be the cashier.

Of the 200 shares 147 are held by Forest City citizens, and held by such substantial people as John France, Sr., W. J. Lunsford, Philip Schlottzauer, John D. Glass, Wm. N. Sawyer and others. The first board of directors is composed of John France, Sr., Wm. N. Sawyer, R. B. Bridgeman, W. J. Lunsford and Philip Schlottzauer.

Forest City is one of the very best towns in our county and its volume of business has grown steadily until many of its representative business men feel there is a field and sufficient business to warrant their course in launching a second bank, and the financial standing of these concerned is such that there can be no doubt as to the enterprise proving a success.

THE SENTINEL extends its congratulations to those directly concerned, as well as to the people in general of Forest City and adjacent territory, on the establishment of its second bank, feeling that whatever tends to help our sister city, indirectly tends to help its sister city on the hill near by.

Its incorporation title will be "The Home Bank, of Forest City, Mo."

Long may it exist and ever be prosperous.

—We notice that Mound City has a dancing club, and this reminds us that back yonder in the 80's, they also had a similar organization composed of the young bloods of that time—Wes Wehrli, Frank Harman, Geo. Meyer, Ben Gordon, Doc Pierson, and others—and the delightful times they did have—a little late, perhaps, but we would like to see the remaining members of the "Mound City Social Hour Club," get together once again—we might be tempted to drop in on them and try the Lancers or the Royal Horse, or the Prince Imperial, just once more with Mrs. Wehrli. Gee, but those were enjoyable times.

—L. I. Moore has been running things down at The Interurban station on account of Agent Fredericks being sick.